House File 2300 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act concerning motor vehicle-related violations committed
- with a denied, canceled, suspended, revoked, or barred
- 3 driver's license that result in serious injury or death, and
- 4 providing penalties.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 321.482B Violations committed while
- 2 operating without valid driver's license serious injury or
- 3 death penalty.
- 4 l. A person who operates a motor vehicle while the person's
- 5 driver's license or operating privilege has been denied,
- 6 canceled, suspended, revoked, or barred and who commits a
- 7 moving violation during such operation that results in serious
- 8 injury, as defined in section 702.18, to another person is
- 9 guilty of a serious misdemeanor.
- 10 2. A person who operates a motor vehicle while the person's
- 11 driver's license or operating privilege has been denied,
- 12 canceled, suspended, revoked, or barred and who commits a
- 13 moving violation during such operation that results in the
- 14 death of another person is guilty of an aggravated misdemeanor.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, "moving violation"
- 16 means as defined in 761 IAC 615.1, and does not include any
- 17 violation not considered a moving violation under this chapter.
- 18 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 21 This bill provides that a person who operates a motor vehicle
- 22 while the person's driver's license or operating privilege
- 23 has been denied, canceled, suspended, revoked, or barred and
- 24 who commits a moving violation during such operation that
- 25 results in serious injury to another person is guilty of a
- 26 serious misdemeanor. If the moving violation results in the
- 27 death of another person, the person is guilty of an aggravated
- 28 misdemeanor. Under Code section 903.1, a serious misdemeanor
- 29 is punishable by a fine of at least \$315 but not to exceed
- 30 \$1,875 and imprisonment not to exceed one year. An aggravated
- 31 misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of at least \$625 but not to
- 32 exceed \$6,250 and imprisonment not to exceed two years.
- 33 The bill defines "moving violation" as the term is
- 34 defined in the Iowa administrative code by the department of
- 35 transportation. Under the bill, "moving violation" does not

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- 1 include any violation not considered a moving violation under
- 2 Code chapter 321, including text messaging while driving in
- 3 violation of Code section 321.276.